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"Islands, Castles & Portable Operations"
Listing is by calendar date (day/month/year)
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08/09/2008: Mike, KM9D (H40MY) arrived a few hours ago at Vanikolo Island (OC-163) and is presently anchored off Lavaka village. The first activation of OC-163 took place in 1992 from this village. [DL2GAC]

12/09/2008: Look for Nob/JA2AAU (A35AU), Yoshi/JA2AIC (A35IC), Iwao/JA2LSS (A35SS), Iku/JA2ATE (A35TE) and Mori/JA2ZS (A35ZS) to be active on all bands/modes from Tonga (OC-049) between September 12-17th. QSL via the information on QRZ.com for each call sign. [rsgbiota.org]

12/09/2008: Mike, AB5EB will be active as homecall/p from Matagorda Island (NA-092, USi TX-010S, Calhoun county), Texas, and the Matagorda lighthouse (ARLHS USA-482, TWLHD WLH K-096, WLOTA LH-1860, USGC 4-1312, WW Loc. EL18SI) from September 12-14th. QRV SSB and CW on, or near, the usual island and lighthouse frequencies. QSL via home call (CBA). [ARLHS]

12/09/2008: Tom, LA4LN will be QRV from Spitsbergen Island (EU-026, WLOTA LH-0124), Svalbard from September 12-18th. While there he'll be QRV on 60 meters as JW1V. He'll also operate JW4LN on 160 meters through 70 cm, mostly on CW with some SSB, digital modes and possibly Satellite. Tom will has an IC-7000, various wires, a beam for 10, 15 and 20 meters and possibly on 6 and Satellite. QSL cards must go direct only to LA4LN. More details can be found at QRZ.com under JW1V. [MMMonVHF]

12/09/2008: Sam, F6AML will be active from Benin between September 12-24th. Call sign is not know at this time, but he will pick up his license when he arrives in Cotonou. QRV 80-10 meters, using CW and SSB only with FT857D and 800 Watt amplifier. Antennas will be HF6V and Inverted V for 80m. Frequencies: CW - 3525, 7025, 10115, 14025, 18071, 21025, 24892 and 28025 kHz; SSB - 3785 listening up to 3800 for W, 7057, 14235, 18140, 21275, 24944 and 8444 kHz. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

13/09/2008: The Vienna International Centre Amateur Radio Club 4U1VIC will be on the air during the Worked All Europe DX SSB Contest (WAEDC) which will take place September 13-14th. The station is located in the secured United Nation campus in Vienna / Austria and due to access restrictions they will not be able to operate the full 48 hours continuously. The team will try to be on as much as possible. They will work all stations (DX and Europe) so you are invited to give us a call. Planned operators include Alex/OE1AWB, Lex/OE3BLB, Rom/OE1RKS, Werner/OE1DWC, Hannes/OE3SGU and Gun/OE3GCU. QSL info: 4U1VIC will send QSL cards for all QSO's via bureau. If you are in a hurry you can send it direct including SAE and return postage to: Amateur Radio Club, Vienna International Centre, P.O. Box 500, A-1400 Vienna, Austria. [NG3K]

13/09/2008: A group of eight Korean operators (namely Kim/HL2CFY, Lim/DS2HRE, Kweon/DS2GXU, Han/DS2GOO, Seok/6K2GDT, Cho/6K2FNN, Song/6K2BWA and Jeong/6K2ABX) will be active September 13-18th as either D9D and homecall/5 from Tok Island (AS-045, also count for WLOTA LH-0016). They will operate CW, SSB, FSK and PSK31 on 80-10 meters with four trasnceivers, two amplifers and various vertical and wire antenna systems. QSL D9D via 6K2BWA, others via home call. [425 DX News]

13/09/2008: Fran?ois/F5JNE along with G?rard/F6ICG will be active September 13th as F5JNE/p from the Castle of Marrault (DFCF 89-303), located in the city of Magny (CP 89200), canton of Avallon (DDCF 89-05), Yonne Department/89 and Province Burgundy (DPF 05). QRV 80 and 40 meters, starting around 0600 UTC. QSL via bureau preferred and SWL cards are welcome. [F5NQL]

13/09/2008: Urcun, TA0U will be QRV September 13-14th for the Worked All Europe DX SSB Contest. QSL direct, via the information at QRZ.com. [F5NQL]

13/09/2008: TC4X, the Finnish-Turkish Friendship Consortium station, will again be active September 13-14th for the Worked All Europe DX SSB Contest. QSL via OH2BH. [425 DX News]

14/09/2008: A group of operators from the Associazione Radioamatoriale Sardinia QRP Club (www.sardiniaqrp.com/) will be active as IQ0QP from Quirra Island (EU-165, IIA CA-009, MIA MIS-026) on September 14th from 0900 UTC to 1600 UTC. This will be a QRP operation on 80 (NVIS antenna), 40 and 20 meter, SSB and CW. Frequencies: 3560, 3590, 3620, 7030, 7040, 7090, 14030, 14060 and 14320 (+/- 1) kHz. QSL direct to P.O. Box 81, 09047 Selargius - CA, Italy. [Pete's-DX-Newsdesk]

15/09/2008: Bill, N7OU plans to be active as E51NOU from Rarotonga (OC-013), South Cook Islands, between September 15 and October 11th. He will be QRV 40-10m running low power, CW only. For most of his stay Bill will be operating around a work schedule, but will make a special effort to be on at grayline times to Europe. QSL via N7OU. [NG3K]

15/09/2008: Look for Michael, K6UMO/KL7 to be active from several Alaskan islands between September 15-20th. He will be on a cruise ship that stops at all of these islands. He will take an ICOM IC-703+ with me and will try to transmit from each island for as long as the ship is in harbor (and it isn't dinner time). Michael will try to activate the following: Kodiak Island (NA-019, USi AK-004S, 3rd S. Central County); Unga Island (Not IOTA, USI AK099, 3rd S. Central County); Unalaska Island (NA-059, USi AK005S, 3rd S. Central County); Kiska (NA-070, USi AK197, 3rd S. Central County [Aleutians West]); and Attu Island (NA-064, USi AK009S, 3rd S. Central County). Please note: AL099 and AK197 are unqualified. Accept QSL's via: USI eQSL, Callbook Address. [USi]

16/09/2008: Bernd, DL8AAV will be active as OZ/DL8AAV/p September 16-27th from Laeso Island (EU-088, NK-003 for the Danish Islands Award). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

18/09/2008: Seven hams are going to Madagascar and will be QRV from a location near near Ambodifototra, Ile Sainte Marie [Nosy Boraha] (AF-090, WLOTA LH-0491, WW Loc. LH42WX) between September 18-27. Team members include Jack/F1BCS, Jim/F1HDI, Gil/F5JBE, Remy/F6ABJ, Michel/F6COW, Oliver/F6EIE and Dan/F6EPD. Activity is scheduled from 160-6 meters, using SSB, CW, SSTV, PSK31, RTTY and JT65 modes. SSB near the IOTA frequencies. They will use the following call signs: 5R8GM for

SSB, 5R8IM for digital modes, 5R8JM for CW and 5R8EM for EME (144, 114Mhz, CW and JT65). QSL all calls via F1BCS. [F5NQL]

19/09/2008: Haugseth/LA7WCA (JW7WCA), Terje/LA8BCA (JW8BCA) and Tom/LB9UE (JW/LB9UE) will be active from Spitsbergen Island (EU-026, WLOTA LH-0125) from September 19-26th. QRV on 160-10m, mainly SSB, with some CW. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

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LOOKING AHEAD -

20/09/2008: Tomi, OH6EI will be active from Mariehamn, Aland Island (EU-002, WLOTA LH-1373, WW Loc. JP90XI) as OH0Z during the SAC CW Contest (September 20-21st), as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via W0MM, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

20/09/2008: Naito, JF2IWW will be active as T88IW from the rental shack on Koror Island, Palau Islands (OC-009), between September 20-28th. QRV 80m-6m CW and SSB, plus satellite. QSL via home call. [NG3K]

20/09/2008: The Former operators of the Saint Lys Radio, the Famous FFL, will organize a Heritage day around the souvenirs of the Station, located at Site of G?nibrat, on September 20th and 21st. The program includes open doors, exhibitions, Radio program and traffic both on old St. Lys frequencies and Ham bands. QRV 160 to 10m (CW, SSB and PSK31), using the special call sign TM2FFL. QRV on Old Saint Lys bands: (FUQW USB IUT marine bands) Band 804: 8728 - 8204 kHz and Band 1224: 13146 - 12299 kHz. Traffic by the Saint Lys Former Operators and ops of MONACO RADIO same bands. One of the main goals is to protect the only on antenna still settled on the site: CARRE GOURIAUD (omni 4 MHz). QSL via operator's instructions. [F5NQL]

21/09/2008: Freddy, F5IRO has got a new assignment in Martinique (IOTA NA-107, DIFO FM-001, WLOTA LH-1041) where he is expected from September 21st to the end of February 2009. His call sign is not known yet, but will certainly be: FM/F5IRO. He will work usually at his spare time, in the evening starting 2200 UTC, and during the week ends. As propagation permits, he will use his FT857D on 40, 30 and 20m into V40 and G5RV (HM) antennas. Modes will be mostly CW and digital, with some SSB. Freddy and Philippe/FM5LD plan to enter the next CQWW CW Contest, at the end of November. Call sign and Class to be announced. For all Freddy's activity, QSL direct or via the bureau. He will reply to all QSLs when he returns home, at the begining of March 2009. [F5NQL]

24/09/2008: Two special event stations will be aired September 24th to celebrate Heritage Day operating on SSB and CW on 20m, 40m and maybe 80m from South Africa. The Sasolburg Radio Club station ZS4SRK will be operating from an old historic Anglo Boer War blockhouse on this day. Special event staion ZS08TV might also be operating on this day from the old meat plant which now houses the club house of the Vaal Amateur Radio club. We have heard from the the powers that be that confirmation of our special event call sign ZS08TV is on the way. ZS4SRK will be on 20m and 40m, maybe 80m SSB, while ZS08VT will be on 20m, 40m SSB and on CW on 20m around 14115 and on 40m, maybe 80m SSB. QSL ZS4SRK via the bureau. QSL ZS08TV via operator's instructions. [VE5RC/VE5QRP]

27/09/2008: Tomi, OH6EI will be active as OH0Z from Mariehamn, Aland Island (EU-002, also count for WLOTA LH-1373, WW Loc. JP90XI) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry during the SAC SSB Contest

(September 27-28th). QSL via W0MM, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

27/09/2008: The Ozark Mountain Amateur Radio Club, W0OMD will set up a portable HF station on Edge Island (Not IOTA, USi MO-014, Cedar County), Stockton Lake, Missouri, on September 27th and will try to make a set number of contacts to qualify the island. Operators mentioned are Mike/KC5MNP and James/KC0TQD. QSL via W0OMD, callbook address. Website at www.w0omd.org/ [USi]

16/10/2008: Approximately 12 members of the Magnolia DX Association, Inc., will activate East Ship Island (IOTA NA-082, USi MS-009, Harrison County), Mississippi, and lighthouse (WLOL USA-756, WLOTA LH-1160, USCG 4-0337, WW Loc. EM50RF) during the period of October 16-19th. The call sign K5S will be used during the entire 4-day period, plus the call sign K5Z will be added during the last 2 days as an entry in the W/VE Islands QSO Party (October 18-19th). Activity will be on 80-10 meters, using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via W5UE direct, or bureau. Logs will also be uploaded to LoTW. Further information can be found at www.k5s-na082.com/ [K1XN]

16/10/2008: Kiyoshi/JA7RPC and Masahiro/JF7RKV will be active as T88RP and T88SB, respectively, from the rental shack on Koror Island, Palau Islands (OC-009) from October 16-20th. Look for them to be QRV 80-10m on CW and SSB. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

18/10/2008: The Boeing Employees Amateur Radio Operators North Society and Stanwood/Camano Amateur Radio Club will be active as K7P from Camano Island (IOTA NA-065, USi WA-003S, WLOTA LH-2728, Island County), Washington, on October 18th and 19th, to commemorate the first new state park in 10 years at Cama Beach. QSL direct to KN7T (Mark Mc Lauchlin, 2625 176th St SE, Bothell, WA 98012). [ARRL]

23/10/2008: Ed/K3IXD, Pete/W2GJ, Dallas/W3PP and Bob/W8ZA will be active as C6APR from the Crooked Island Lodge, Pittstown Point, Crooked Island (NA-113), Bahamas, in the multi-2 category during the CQWW SSB contest (October 25-26th). The lodge manager has confirmed that the lodge survived both Hanna and Ike hurricanes. Before and after the contest (October 23-27th) C6APR will be on 160m through 10m including the WARC bands, CW and SSB. Before and after the contest (October 23-27th) C6AXD will be on 160m through 10m including the WARC bands, mostly RTTY and some SSB. Both calls are good for Bird Rock Lighthouse (ARLHS WLOL BAH-005, TWLHD WLH C6-002, WLOTA LH-0118, Admiralty J4792) and Grid FL22TT. All QSLs to K3IXD. [K3IXD]

21/02/2009: John, K3MD will be active from the U.S. Virgin Islands (IOTA NA-106) as KP2/K3MD for the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 21-22nd), as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. Look for activity before and after the contest. QSL via home call. [NG3K]

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SPECIAL EVENTS -

09/09/2008: ARI Battipaglia will be active as II8AVL from September 9th to October 1st to commemorate Operation Avalanche, the Allied landings near Salerno during World War II. QSL via operator's instructions. [425 DX News]

12/09/2008: Operators IK4HDQ, IK4PLW, IK4PMX, IK4UNH, IW4DAP, IW4DEH and IZ4GXH will operate special event station IR4PA from Russi (Ravenna) from September 12-14th, for the 25th anniversary of the local welfare institution. QSL via IK4PLW, direct or bureau. [425 DX News]

12/09/2008: Special event station GB0BSR will be QRV from the Bedfordshire Steam Rally near Biggleswade on September 13th. QSL via operator's instructions. [GB2RS]

12/09/2008: Look out for GB0HSF at the Hanbury Steam Fair in Worcestershire on September 12th. QSL via M0URX. [GB2RS]

12/09/2008: The Radio Society of Harrow will be running a demonstration station at RAF Bentley Priory over the weekend of September 12-14th as part of the Heritage Open Days programme. The call sign applied for is GB80RBP or GB0RBP, alternatively they will use GX3EFX/A. This is the first time in 80 years that Bentley Priory has been open to the public since it became an RAF base. [GB2RS]

13/09/2008: Churches and Chapels On the Air (CHOTA) is taking place on Saturday 13th. Over 20 special event call signs have been issued. Activity is expected from 1000-1600 UTC using SSB on frequencies around 3.747, 7.047 and 14.320 MHz. See www.wacral.org/ for full details. [ZL2AUB]

13/09/2008: The Ninth Annual Route 66 On The Air Special Event will be held from September 13-21st. Full information on call signs, QSL routes and awards can be found at www.w6jbt.org/ [W6JBT]

15/09/2008: The Radio Club of Tulle (F5KTU) will use the special call sign TM2NN for the Nacre Nights accordion festval from September 15-28th. Activty on HF and VHF. [F6AJA]

16/09/2008: From July 16-29th - and in particular on July 23rd from 0830 up to 1700 UTC, from Tourcoing, TM8APJ will be activated within the framework of the humanitarian action "Aidons drawer Princesse Jasmine". QSL card for this occasion is in exchange of your QSL card, ? 2.00 and an A4 SASE. QSOs on two different bands (80, 40, 20, 2 m and 70 cm and Echolink) qualify for the diploma, subject to your QSL card, ? 5.00 and an A4 SASE to: TM8APJ, 87, Avenue Roger Salengro F-59170 CROIX - FRANCE. All gifts arrive at the association Aidons drawer Princesse Jasmine (www.aidonslaprincessejasmine.com/) by means of drawer Maison of the Associations, 100, rue the Lille ? Tourcoing. [UBA HF News]

U.S.A. Special event station information can be found at:
www.arrl.org/contests/spev.html
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SIX METERS & UP -

GOT6??? - 6M Information by Andy, N8OFS (Updated September 10, 2008) at:
www.noars.net/got6/GOT6.txt
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LIGHTHOUSE CALENDAR -

12/09-14/09 AB5EB/P: Matagorda Island WLH:K-096, WLOL:USA-482, WLOTA:LH-1860, USGC 4-1312 QSL HC (d)
12/09-18/09 JW1V: Spitsbergen Island WLOTA:0124 QSL LA4LN (d)
12/09-18/09 JW4LN: Spitsbergen Island WLOTA:0124 QSL LA4LN (d)
13/09-18/09 6K2ABX/5: Tok Do (Liancourt Rock) WLOTA:0016 QSL HC (d/b)
13/09-18/09 6K2BWA/5: Tok Do (Liancourt Rock) WLOTA:0016 QSL HC (d/b)
13/09-18/09 6K2FNN/5: Tok Do (Liancourt Rock) WLOTA:0016 QSL HC (d/b)
13/09-18/09 6K2GDT/5: Tok Do (Liancourt Rock) WLOTA:0016 QSL HC (d/b)
13/09-18/09 D9D: Tok Do (Liancourt Rock) WLOTA:0016 QSL 6K2BWA (d/b)
13/09-18/09 DS2GOO/5: Tok Do (Liancourt Rock) WLOTA:0016 QSL HC (d/b)
13/09-18/09 DS2GXU/5: Tok Do (Liancourt Rock) WLOTA:0016 QSL HC (d/b)

13/09-18/09 DS2HRE/5: Tok Do (Liancourt Rock) WLOTA:0016 QSL HC (d/b)
13/09-18/09 HL2CFY/5: Tok Do (Liancourt Rock) WLOTA:0016 QSL HC (d/b)
19/09-26/09 JW8BCA: Spitsbergen Island WLOTA:0125 QSL LA8BCA (d/b)
19/09-26/09 JW7WCA: Spitsbergen Island WLOTA:0125 QSL LA7WCA (d/b)
19/09-26/09 JW/LB9UE: Spitsbergen Island WLOTA:0125 QSL HC (d/b)
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QSL INFO -

Alan, F6BFH reports that all direct request for his FH1LE activity have been answered. [F6AJA]

QSLs received Bureau - 4X?X, 5F50KD, 5Z1A, C6ARI [NA-219], HB?/DL2OBO/P, HP1WW, II1XMAS, V31XX.

QSLs received Direct - 3DA?OK (via M3SDE), 7Q7HB (via G?IAS), 7X2GX, 9X?R (via EA5RM), C91XO (via M3SDE), FG/OH7KD/P (via OH7KD), FH1LE (via F6BFH), FO5A/MM (via N7CQQ), GB8LMI [EU-099] (via M3ZXZ), TX5C (via N7CQQ).

QSLs received LoTW - A61AJ, AY8A, HC8N, LN2HQ, NH6JC, S51TA, VY2RAC, Z32XX.
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BITS & PIECES -

TX4C FOR SECOND TIME!
ASIAN TURKEY WITH A HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY AND ROUND NUMBERS

Leena, OH2BE and Martti, OH2BH left Finland for an unknown address in Asian Turkey on their wedding anniversary and Leena's round-number birthday. Today is the wedding anniversary and Mom was on the ropes at an antenna party in the soaring temperature of 36C. They got the job done and TC4X should be on the air now plus in the European DX Contest this weekend.

Outside of the contest TC4X will be operated by Tefvik, TA1HZ. The upcoming magic day will be topped with a candlelight dinner and lacebedsheet at a place overlooking the romantic Marmara Sea at sunset.

Gosh, the actual birthday coincides with the contest but mixing and maxing will hopefully provide the best results on both fronts. Who said life is an easy journey when you marry a beady-eyed contest type?

QSL via OH2BH. [OH2BN]
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73 and Good DX!
Dave Raycroft, VA3RJ
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